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FM AMEMBASSY GABORONE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7646

INFO AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

AMEMBASSY MASERU

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AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

C O N F I D E N T I A L GABORONE 0249

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE ON SECRETARY KISSINGER'S SAN FRANCISCO SPEECH

REF: STATE 031037

CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

1. DCM CALLED ON SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TIBONE AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY FEB. 13 AND PASSED ON INFORMATION PARA 2 AND 3 REFTEL.

2. TIBONE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR CLARIFICATION. HE NOTED THAT FOREIGN MINISTER MOGWE HAD MADE A PUBLIC STATEMENT PREVIOUS DAY UPON RETURN FROM EUROPE IN WHICH HE HAD REITERATED BOTSWANA'S POSITION OF SUPPORT FOR A GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY IN ANGOLA. TIBONE RECALLED THAT SOVIET AMBASSADOR HAD RECENTLY HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH ACTING PRESIDENT MASIRE, ACTING EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER KWELAGOBÉ AND HIMSELF, DURING WHICH
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HE ATTEMPTED TO CONVINCE GOB THAT SOVIET INVOLVEMENT IN ANGOLA

WAS IN AID OF AFRICAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT AGAINST "RACIST SOUTH AFRICANS". ACCORDING TO TIBONE, SOVIETS WERE TOLD THAT BOTSWANA HAD HEARD FROM SOUTH AFRICANS THAT THEY ENTERED ANGOLA TO COUNTER THE INVASION OF "COMMUNIST RUSSIANS".Z

3. TIBONE SAID THAT FOR THE PRESENT BOTSWANA'S INTENTION IS TO GO TO OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (CM) MEETING FEB. 23 MAINTAINING ITS POSITION IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT IT APPEARS (GIVEN THE FACT THAT THIRTY AFRICAN NATIONS HAVE NOW RECOGNIZED THE MPLA) THAT THE MPLA WILL HAVE A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY BY THE CM MEETING.

4. NOTE: THIS POST HAS HAD CONTINUING COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS. REFTEL WAS ONLY RECEIVED AFTER DUTY HOURS FEB. 11, AFTER THREE SERVICES INCLUDING A NIACT IMMEDIATE.
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